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In re Patent Application of: H. Daniel Dulman et al.

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For: METHOD FOR ALIGNING A CONTACT

OR A LINE TO ADJACENT PHASE-

SHIFTER ON A MASK

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated July 30, 2003 (Paper No. 9), finally rejecting claim 19, and the Advisory Action dated December 5, 2003, and further to the Request for Reconsideration filed October 28, 2003, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.